

Taylor Street Park Project

PROJECT OVERVIEW

- Taylor Street Park renovations got underway the week of November 10, 2008.
- Weather permitting - the project will be completed January 30, 2009.
- Once renovations are completed, the half-acre park site will feature:
 - a 28' x 28' picnic shelter
 - playground equipment, including regular and tot swings, a 360-degree slide, a bench swing, two excavators, and an X-Wave
 - a paved path
 - two garden areas
 - two open areas
 - a seat wall
 - a re-worked parking lot
- New plants, shrubs, and trees will border the property.

PROJECT HISTORY

- The Taylor Street Park Project is a result of the Northeast Neighborhood Plan which was approved in July 2007.
- The Recreation Advisory Board was charged with making recommendations to the Board of Commissioners concerning renovations at this and other park sites in the Northeast Neighborhood, now referred to as the East End Community.
- The Recreation Advisory Board recommended hiring an architect to collaborate with Parks & Recreation staff and the East End Neighborhood Association to develop a renovation design.
- The Town of Wake Forest hired Landscape Architect Mark Robinson. During the spring and summer 2008, he met with the neighborhood group and developed a master plan for the park.
- In late summer 2008 the Town sent the project out for bids. McQueen Construction was the low bidder and was awarded the contract in October 2008.

PROJECT COST

- The total cost of the project is \$ 195,233.
- A portion of the project is being funded by remaining 1998 Parks & Recreation bond money.
- For more information, contact Parks & Recreation Director Susan Simpson, at (919) 554-6182.